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Leith, June 4.

Yesterday a *Scottish Privateer* returned into this Road, having been cruising upon the Coasts of *Norway, Shetland,* and the Isles of *Fero*, having seen only three Sailes at Sea, which he gave chase to, putting one of them a shoar upon a Rock in *Norway*, where she was cast away.

Rome, May 28. On Sunday the 22th instant, about two houres before the sun setting, dyed the Pope *Alexander* the Seventh, in the 69 year of his Age, and the Twelfth of his Papacy, which so soon as it was divulged, the people flocked together neer the place, to the number of neer 20000 persons, with great acclamations, praying for Cardinal *Antonio*, and the Houe of the *Barberini*, and following the Cardinal to his Palace, as he returned from viewing the Corps, and performing the usuall Ceremonies; being at that time attended by the *Swisse* Guards, with the Clerks and Officers of the Popes Chamber, all of them in mourning. After his departure the Physicians opened the body, and contrary to all their Opinions, found no Stone, only one of his Reynes corrupted, with an Ulcer in his Lungs, and some little Carcinomy in his Bladder, with which he might in probability have lived much longer, had not his Fever shortned his days. Some little time after the departure of Cardinal *Antonio* from the Palace, the Bell of the Capitol was rung for half an hour, and that night the body clad in the Pontifical habit, was in a rich Liner conveyed to *St. Peters*, preceded by the Master of the Ceremonies, encompassed by a great number of Penitentiaries, and abundance of torches, and attended by all the Guards, and seven pieces of Canon. In that place the body lay publicly exposed till Wednesday night, at which time it was honorably interred in that Cathedral. On Thursday morning the Colledge of Cardinals held their first Congregation, where after the reading of the Bill concerning Elections, which the Cardinals swore to observe, and the delivery of the Seal of the Fisherman to Cardinal *Barberino* the Dean, they resolved to make the Conclave at *Monte Cavallo*, notwithstanding the opposition of seventeen, who gave their Votes, that that function ought rather to be perform'd in *St. Peters*; which was in the name and by the deputation of the rest disputed by the Cardinals *d'Este, Barbarino,* and *Apolino*; and afterwards, upon weighing of all difficulties, by reason of the streightness of the Capitol, its little security, and great incommodiousness, the next day they altered their resolution, and agreed upon the accustomed place of *St. Peters*, to the satisfaction of all persons.

They also gave Audience to the Ambassadors from the Crowns, not giving them leave, as the Popes have done, to sit upon a small Stool; but requiring them to fall three times on their knees, and then rising with their hats on, and standing, to deliver their Message; which was principally to assure their Eminencies of their Masters zeal and affection to the Holy Seat; encouraging them to proceed unanimously in the Choice of some sincere and worthy person to that high and Holy Dignity (of which that Colledge abounded) protesting, they would cooperate with them in all Circumstances; and that they had express Commands from their Masters, not to exclude any person who is capable of the Popedom.

The Cardinals have declared *Monsignore Casinetta* Governour of the Conclave, and confirmed *Boromei* in his Government of *Rome*; The Cannon *Buratti* they have made

Commissary of the Conclave, *Parisius* and *Tiracorda* Physicians; *Gabriel della Porta* Chirurgion, the Priest *Zimenis* their Confessor, and Father *Zucchi* his Coadjutor. The same day *Don Mirio* was confirmed in his Charge, as General of the Holy Church; and a Decree published, That no Cardinal should stop his Coach to any Baron, unless such as were Ambassadors from the Crowns; which occasioned a great heat between the Cardinals *Bracciano* and *Hrsino*, which by the interposal of the Cardinals *D'Este*, and *Antonio Barberino* was again reconciled.

Hambourg, June 1. Letters from *Denmark* of the 28th inst. tells us, That the two *French* men of War are now ready to sail, wanting nothing but fresh Provisions to be sent aboard them: 7 *Danish* men of War are also ready fitted, but whether to Convoy them or not, is yet uncertain: The rest of their Fleet is equipping; and though Monsieur *Amrongen*, the *Dutch* Ambassador presses them to hasten, they cannot be ready yet this moneth, and exceedingly want Sea men.

Queen *Christina* was far advanced on her way towards *sto kholme*, having been as far as *Nordkoping*, within 20 miles of the Court; but having received thence some Letters which did not please her, she is return'd in post, passing by *Elsenburg* the 26. On Thursday last arrived here the *Swedes* Field here, Count *Wrangel*, who went out yesterday in the morning to meet Queen *Christina*, with whom he returned thither about 7 at night; her sudden return yields much occasion for all persons to utter their Conjectures; The *Swedes* speak not yet of their March. From *Wisnar* we are told, they have given liberty to the Reformists to erect a Church in that Town: From *Hanover* our Letters inform us, that on Sunday last the Prince's of *Cassel*, with the Ambassadors from *Denmark*, were expected at the Court, and that the Duke of *Lunenburg* had sent a great Train of his Household, with two Regiments to meet them, having prepared to receive them with all the Gallantry of his Court.

Venice, June 3. Our last Letters from *Candia* dated the 29th of *April*, contradict the reports we had by the way of *Zante*, of a formal siege laid against the City of *Candia*, and that they had began their battery at the Fort *St. Demetrius*; telling us only, That the *Turks* had indeed attempted to raise severall batteries, but with little success, being as often beaten off by our men, and their designs prevented; That which principally hinders them from laying Siege, is their great want of Provisions, and the severe raging of the Plague amongst them, which is now got into *Canea*, and has infected the greatest part of their whole Army.

The *Turks* have passed some of their Men in Gallies to *Candia Nuova*, and to strike the greater terror into our People, by making them fancy them more numerous than really they are, have for three days together; made their men to pass to and fro, and march frequently in view, with continued shooting, and severall shows of Re-joycing, sending them afterwards back with much silence into *Canea*, as our Men have been frequently informed by severall Fugitives that have desired to be transported out of the Turkish service, into *Morea*.

Our Armats is in a good condition, and much strengthened by the addition of severall Christian Corsaires, who are now more then ever zealously obliged to their Service, by abating them the Tythes of their prey, by a late Order which gives to all Corsaires that will incorporate with the Armats, all the Prize they shall take in their service.

Brussels, June 14. The *French* King still continues the Fortification of *Charle Roy*, where he has ordered 150.